Mary Fiore-Wagner - RE: Lahontan Draft Pesticide Basin Plan Amendment Language

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Mary,

I looked at the "Draft Waste Discharge Prohibition and Exemption Criteria Language Pesticide Basin Plan Amendment", and suggest you add two bullets on page 7 to the <u>Exemption Criteria for Aquatic Pesticide Use</u> section as shown below:

- 1. Project Information to include:
 - a. Project description including, but not limited to, proposed schedule, duration, name of pesticide, method and rate of application, spatial extent, water body, control/mitigation measures to be used, contact information.
 - b. Purpose and need for project.
 - c. The chemical composition of the pesticide to be used, including inert ingredients.
 - d. An estimate of the maximum foreseeable concentrations of pesticide components in any surface water intake used for drinking water supplies within ½ mile of the point of application.
 - e. Public notification and warning plan must be implemented before and during the project and include any water use restrictions or precautions during treatment if necessary. Suitable measures will be taken to identify potentially affected sources of potable surface and ground water intakes, and to provide potable drinking water where necessary.
 - f. Spill contingency plan to address proper transport, storage, spill prevention and cleanup.

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Hi Carl,

Again, thank you for attending today's meeting and providing your input.

We are currently developing an amendment to our regionwide water quality objective for pesticides. We are proposing to replace our existing water quality objective, a non-detect standard, with a prohibition on pesticide discharges with criteria for exemption.

As part of the public review process for the proposed (draft) language, we are holding a public hearing at our May 11 Board meeting in Victorville. On May 11, the amendment is an informational item and the Lahontan Board is not being asked to consider the draft language for adoption. This is the second public hearing; we held the first at our April Board meeting in South Lake Tahoe.

Documents for Review:

All documents for review can be found here:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/index.shtml#draftbpa
We are accepting written comment until May 13 at 5pm (see request for public comment letter).
Of these links, the environmental document is Draft Substitute Environmental Documentation - Pesticide BPA
You should focus your review on the actual language proposed for inclusion in our Basin Plan (including strike-out language of the existing objective) available at

Attachment 2: Draft Pesticide Prohibition & Exemption Criteria. This is a 10 page document. In particular, we would appreciate any suggested language (e.g., requirement for pesticide application to be reviewed and accepted by affected purveyors, CDPH, and NDEP) you could provide for the section title Exemption Criteria for Aquatic Pesticide Use, that begins on page 7 of 10.

I will be at our Board Hearing in VVL and away from the office on May 11 and 12. If you have any questions, please contact me tomorrow at work. Thank you.

Thank you, Mary Fiore-Wagner

Please note: I work a reduced time base with every Friday off.

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